Name of the Company	Statutory dues pending (Rs. in lakhs)
Hindustan Photo Films Mfg. Corp.	1171
Hindustan Salts Ltd.	32
Hindustan Vegetable Oils Ltd.	75
Indian Drugs & Pharm. Ltd.	6867
Indian Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.	1809
Instrumentation Ltd.	1078
Jessop & Co. Ltd.	4390
Mining & Allied Machinery Corpn. Ltd.	1423
National Bicycle Corporation of India Ltd.	209
National Instrumentation Ltd.	167
National Jute Manufacturers Corpn. Ltd.	12222
NEPA Ltd.	657
National Textiles Corporation	31568
Praga Tools Ltd.	799
Projects & Development India Ltd.	1487
R B L Ltd.	40
Richardson & Cruddas (1972) Ltd.	474
Scooters India Ltd.	16
Smith Stanistreet & Pharma. Ltd.	113
Tannery & Footwear Corpn. of India Ltd.	807
Triveni Structurals Ltd.	672
Tyre Corporation of India Ltd.	750
Weighbird (India) Ltd.	27
Grand Total :	127891

Source: Deptt. of Public Enterprises

Nuclear Power Plant at Darually, Patiala

*356. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that villagers plan to resist setting up of the Nuclear Power Plant at Darually, Patiala (Punjab) because of radiation level near the nuke plant; and

(b) if so, in what way Government propose to allay fear of the villagers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Some resistance on part of villagers of Daraulli village near Patran in Samana Tehsil of Patiala District from Punjab has been reported in the media. The concern of the villagers appear to be on the land

acquisition and rehabilitation package, if a decision is taken to set up a plant at the said site. It is premature at this stage to give the Government's reaction on the subject until site investigations are completed and a decision taken for setting up a Project. However, a project at this site will depend on the ultimate suitability of the site and clearance from Atomic Energy Regulatory Board on safety angle and from Ministry of Environment and Forests from environmental angle.

Contract workers of FCI godowns in Kerala

*357. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI V. V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the contract workers attached to the FCI godowns in Kerala or their Trade Unions have sent a memorandum to Government;

(b) if so, what are their demands; and

(c) the details of the action taken to resolve the issues?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The demand relates to the abolition of Contract Labour System and introduction of Direct Payment System in the Food Corporation of India depots at West Hill (Kozhikode), Mavelikkara and Chalakkudy.

(c) On the recommendations of the Central Advisory Contract Labour Board, the Ministry of Labour, which is the competent authority under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970, has decided to prohibit employment of Contract Labour in the processes/operations/works of handling of foodgrains, including their loading/unloading and stacking in the three godowns and depots of the Food Corporation of India, namely, West Hill (Kozhikode), Mavelikkara and Chalakkudy in Kerala.

Closure of industrial units

†*358. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of industrial units which were closed under the Industrial Disputes Act during the years 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 without any intimation to Government;

(b) the number of industrial units which have duly informed Government under the said Act; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (c) The Labour Bureau collects information on closures effected under the Industrial Disputes

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.